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a successful businessman, politics grained into the very being of the who possessed character and con When he died, I feel an era in American political history died too.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, the Senator yield?

Mr. RANDOLPH. I yield.

Mr. MANSFIELD. I wish to distinguish Senator from West Virginia in what he had to say about Farley. I did not know Mr. Farley beginning of the New Deal, as distinguished Senator from West Virginia did, who happened to serve in the at that time, but I joint with him pressing a sense of personal loss very great man, an excellent politician and a man of dedication.

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I associate myself with the remarks by the able Senator from West Virginia concerning the late James A. Farley.

I had the pleasure of being a delegate to the 1932 Democratic Convention which Mr. Roosevelt was nominated. Mr. Farley was active, he had many friends, he organized a campaign, and he was an unusual political strategist.

As he went around the country for some time before that convention, he had a notebook in which he wrote down the names of people he felt would help in that campaign. He later told me it was one of the most valuable things he had ever done in politics.

He truly was a great politician, a great man, a great American, and our country has lost an outstanding citizen.

Mr. RANDOLPH. I thank my friend from South Carolina.

CORRECTION OF THE RECORD— VOTE NO. 251

Mr. WILLIAM L. SCOTT. Mr. President, I note from yesterday's Record on rollcall vote 251 I am recorded as not voting. I was present and voted and voted "nay." I ask that the Record be corrected.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

REVEREND ROBERT A. WELLS

Mr. CANNON. Mr. President, I am pleased to call the attention of this body to the invocation delivered this morning by the Reverend Robert A. Wells, of Reno, director of Missions for Southern Baptists in northern Nevada.

Reverend Wells has earned his reputation as our outstanding servant of his community. In addition to his present duties, he serves as minister-at-large for the churches in all of northern Nevada, which comprises half my State.

Reverend Wells is also a member of the Kiwanis with perfect attendance for over 25 years, joining soon after his college and seminary days were completed. He is currently serving as member of the Kiwanis Club of Reno—Mount Rose board of directors. For the past 7 years Reverend Wells has been assisting in the Junior Olympics for the northern Nevada area by presenting the opening prayer for these young people prior to their competition.

78—voter's registration campaign in April of this year and annually sponsors the Junior Olympics for the Northern Nevada area. This year more than 700 youths participated with a record number of track records being broken. One past participant in these Junior Olympic events is a strong contender for the International Olympics this summer. For the past seven years Rev. Wells has been assisting these events by presenting the opening prayer for these young people to give their best.

The Reno Mt. Rose Kiwanis Club would like to commend Senator Howard W. Cannon for nominating Rev. Robert A. Wells, Director of Missions for Southern Baptists in Northern Nevada and the Lake Tahoe Area of California. He has helped to make ours a club that truly serves in our community. We consider it an honor to our club to have him in the United States Senate on this day, June 10th, 1976.

Sincerely,

JON E. MADSEN,
President.

AUTHORIZATION FOR COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO FILE REPORT BY END OF SESSION TODAY

Mr. LONG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be permitted to file a committee report before the close of the session today.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection? Without objection, it is so ordered.

DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN RECORDS BY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the Record a series of letters relative to the destruction of certain records by the Central Intelligence Agency.

There being no objection, the letters were ordered to be printed in the Record, as follows:

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY,
Washington, D.C., June 2, 1976.

Hon. MIKE MANSFIELD,
U.S. Senate, Office of the Majority Leader,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR MANSFIELD: On 27 January 1975, following adoption of S. Res. 21 creating the Select Committee on Intelligence, you and Senator Hugh Scott requested that the

Central Intelligence Agency "not destroy, remove from [its] possession or control, or otherwise dispose or permit the disposal of any records or documents which might have a bearing on the subjects under investigation, including but not limited to all records or documents pertaining in any way to the matters set out in section 2 of S. Res. 21."

In response to this request, the Agency placed in effect a complete moratorium on the destruction of records, including normal administrative records scheduled for routine destruction.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that it is our intention to proceed with destruction of records, now that the Select Committee has completed its investigation and issued its final report. We have so advised Senator Church.

Along with the backlog of routine administrative records, the Agency will destroy records which were collected and maintained by the Agency and which were subject to investigation by the Rockefeller Commission and the Select Committee. The Agency is required to destroy much of this latter material by the Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579) and by Executive Order 11905. Of course, all records destruction will be fully consistent with other applicable laws, Presidential directives, and the requirements of pending litigation and Justice Department investigations.

I trust you agree that this action is now necessary and appropriate, and I would appreciate your confirmation of this understanding.

I am sending a duplicate of this letter to Senator Hugh Scott.

Sincerely,

GEORGE BUSH,
Director.

OFFICE OF THE MAJORITY LEADER,
Washington, D.C., June 7, 1976.

Hon. DANIEL K. INOUE,
Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence,
U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: We have received a letter from the Honorable George Bush, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, relative to the destruction of papers and material which he has held for sometime relative to our request. Our action was taken to facilitate the inquiry being undertaken by your predecessor committee under the chairmanship of Senator Frank Church.

In view of the fact, as we assume, that all of Senator Church's committee records have been turned over to your permanent Select Committee, we would appreciate your advising us as to whether or not you want our original letter to stand and the papers and other materials to still be held. Could you give us the judgment of you and your Committee on this matter?

With best wishes, we are

MIKE MANSFIELD,
Majority Leader.
HUGH SCOTT,
Republican Leader.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE,
Washington, D.C., June 8, 1976.

Hon. MIKE MANSFIELD,
U.S. Senate,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR MANSFIELD: I have received your letter of June 7, 1976, concerning the destruction of records held by the Intelligence agencies pursuant to your letter of January 1975.

The Select Committee on Intelligence will discuss this matter at its next meeting on Wednesday, June 9, which you are invited to attend. I will report the views of the Committee following the conclusion of that meeting.

With kind regards,

Aloha,

DANIEL K. INOUE,
Chairman.